

POLICE DEPT. JAIL SERVICES

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BACKGROUND

- Jail service is essential for the City. A Type-1 Jail allows officers to efficiently book arrestees and quickly return to patrol to address emergency calls for service.
- A monthly average of 400 misdemeanor and felony arrests are booked into the City's Jail, who are either citation released or transported by Jail staff to the O.C. Main Jail.
- The City employed its' own Jail staff until a professional services agreement with G4S for jail services was contracted in 2013. G4S was acquired by Allied Universal in March of 2022.
- A significant decline in contracted jail services occurred since March of 2022. The contractor was unable to fulfill contractual obligations. As a result of not paying their staff, a significant decrease in jail staffing levels occurred, nearly causing a Jail closure.



RECOMMENDED SOLUTIONS

- In May of 2022, City Council discontinued the contract with Allied Universal, and authorized the City Manager to negotiate an agreement to hire temporary staff to operate the Costa Mesa Jail.
- Staff recommends the City hire (1) newly established full-time classification of Custody Supervisor and (10) Custody Officer positions as full-time city employees. This staffing level has proven successful as approved by the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) for safe 24 hour / 7 days a week operation.
- The annual cost for Jail custody staff is \$1.12 million. The FY 22-23 budget for jail services is \$945,502.
- An appropriation of \$175,215 is needed to facilitate Jail Operations.



RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends City Council:

1. Authorize the City Manager or designee to increase the City's table of organization to account for 11 full-time custody staff for Jail Operations.
2. Adopt Resolution for the compensation plan and salary schedule to establish the Custody Supervisor classification.
3. Authorize the appropriation of \$175,215 from the General Fund's (101) fund balance for Police Department custody staff to facilitate Costa Mesa Jail Operations.



QUESTIONS



HOME-ARP ALLOCATION PLAN

Substantial Amendment to the
2021-2022 Annual Action Plan

City Council Meeting
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BACKGROUND

- On March 11, 2021, the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) was signed into law.
- A portion of the ARP funds were allocated to local jurisdictions through the federal HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) specifically to support homelessness assistance and supportive services. These funds are referred to as “HOME-ARP” funds.
- The HOME-ARP funds are separate from other ARP funds allocated to the City.





BACKGROUND

- Costa Mesa is eligible to receive \$1,816,742 in HOME-ARP funds.
- To be eligible, the City must:
 - 1) engage in a consultation and public participation process;
 - 2) develop a HOME-ARP allocation plan that meets HUD requirements; and
 - 3) submit the plan to HUD as a substantial amendment to the City's 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan.





BACKGROUND

- May 3, 2022 City Council meeting- Council held a Public Hearing for the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan and continued the item pending additional information from staff.
- June 21, 2022 City Council meeting - Staff provided a comprehensive overview of City-wide rental assistance programs and various funding sources.
- The revised HOME-ARP allocation plan was re-posted in July and August, and agendized for tonight's meeting.





OUTREACH SUMMARY

- Consultation with local nonprofit service providers.
- Consultation with the Orange County Continuum of Care (CoC).
- HOME-ARP survey distributed to local non-profit service providers and posted in English and Spanish on the City's website and advertised across all social media platforms.
- HOME-ARP allocation plan posted in English and Spanish on the City's website for the required 15-day public comment periods in May, July and August.
- Public hearings for adoption of the plan.



FEEDBACK

The City received valuable feedback through surveys and the engagement and consultation processes. The feedback indicates a need to focus on:

- Increasing the availability/affordability of housing units
- Mental health and substance abuse supportive services for youth, domestic violence survivors, and individuals experiencing homelessness
- Supportive and wrap around services such as transportation, legal services, credit repair, and assistance with tenant/landlord relations
- Case management
- Services for seniors, the disabled, and mono-lingual Spanish speakers
- Support for existing programs to ensure continuity of services

HOME-ARP ALLOCATION PLAN

- There are four HOME-ARP eligible activity categories:
 - Development and support of affordable housing
 - Tenant-based rental assistance (TBRA)
 - Supportive services as defined by HUD
 - Acquisition and development of non-congregate Shelter
- Staff is recommending funding for the two eligible activities that would best serve eligible Costa Mesa residents:
 1. Development and Support of Affordable Housing
 2. Supportive Services including those defined at 24 CFR 578.53(e)
 - McKinney-Vento Supportive Services
 - Homelessness Prevention Services; and
 - Housing Counseling Services

HOME-ARP QUALIFYING POPULATIONS

The purpose of HOME-ARP funding is to provide homelessness assistance and supportive services to those who are homeless or at-risk of becoming homeless.

- Qualifying individuals or families are:
 - already homeless; or
 - have an annual income below 30% of the median income for the area (e.g., \$40,650 family of 4);
 - do not have resources or support networks immediately available to prevent them from moving to an emergency shelter;
 - do not have permanent housing (e.g., living in a hotel, living in the home of another, has been notified that their right to occupy current housing will be terminated within 21 days, etc.);
 - fleeing domestic violence.

HOME-ARP ELIGIBLE SUPPORTIVE SERVICES

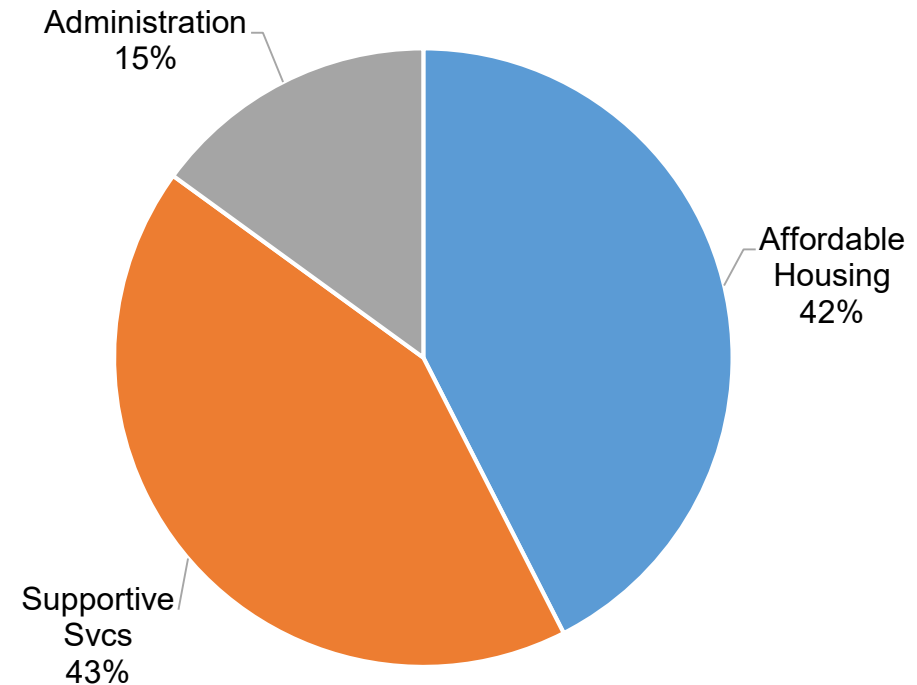
- Mental health services
- Child care
- Education services
- Employment assistance and job training
- Food
- Housing search and counseling services
- Legal services
- Life skills training
- Outpatient health services
- Outreach services
- Substance abuse treatment services
- Transportation
- Case Management
- Mediation
- Credit Repair
- Landlord/tenant liaison
- Services for special populations
- Financial assistance costs (rental application fees, security deposits, utility deposits, payment of rental arrears)



HOME-ARP RECOMMENDED ALLOCATIONS

1. Development & Support of Affordable Housing:
\$772,116
2. Supportive Services:
\$772,116
3. Admin & Planning:
\$272,510 max

HOME-ARP Recommendations



RFP PROCESS

- Following City Council and HUD approval of the City's Allocation Plan, staff would solicit proposals for Supportive Services and Development & Support of Affordable Housing
- Depending on the proposal(s) received, the amount of funding allocated in either category may be adjusted, not-to-exceed the total HOME-ARP allocation



RECOMMENDATIONS

- Hold a Public Hearing
- Approve the recommended allocation of \$1,816,742 for the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan
- Adopt a Resolution to approve the 2021-2022 Substantial Amendment to the Annual Action Plan, and authorize the City Manager to submit it to HUD and execute all required agreements, certifications and documents
- Authorize revenue and expense appropriations

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